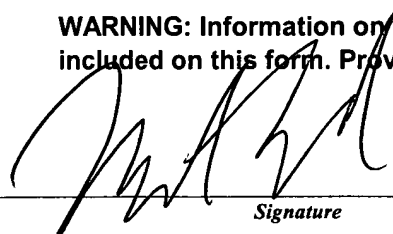


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<b>Invention:</b> Method of Attracting Customer in Bulletin Board and System Using Bulletin Board						
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.						
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A request for a continued examination (RCE) was filed in the USPTO on May 23, 2005, together with an amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.114.

Prior to examination on the merits, the undersigned requests entry of the following amendments, and entry of the attached verified translation of the Japanese Priority document for this application. Please amend the application as follows:

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